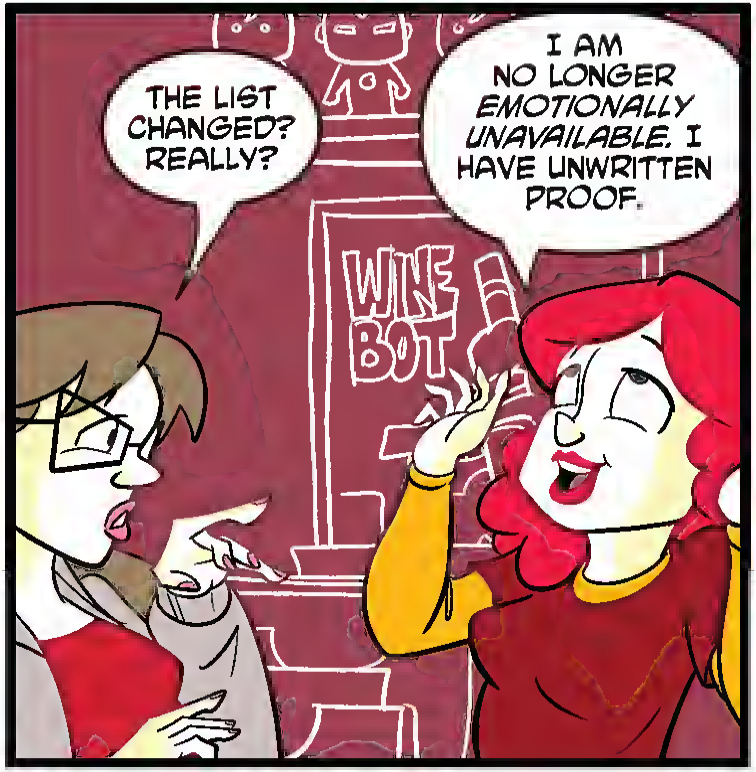
SO... A GUY? AND HE WASN'T SCARED OFF BY THE WARNING LABEL?
CORAL, IT'S MORE THAN THAT.

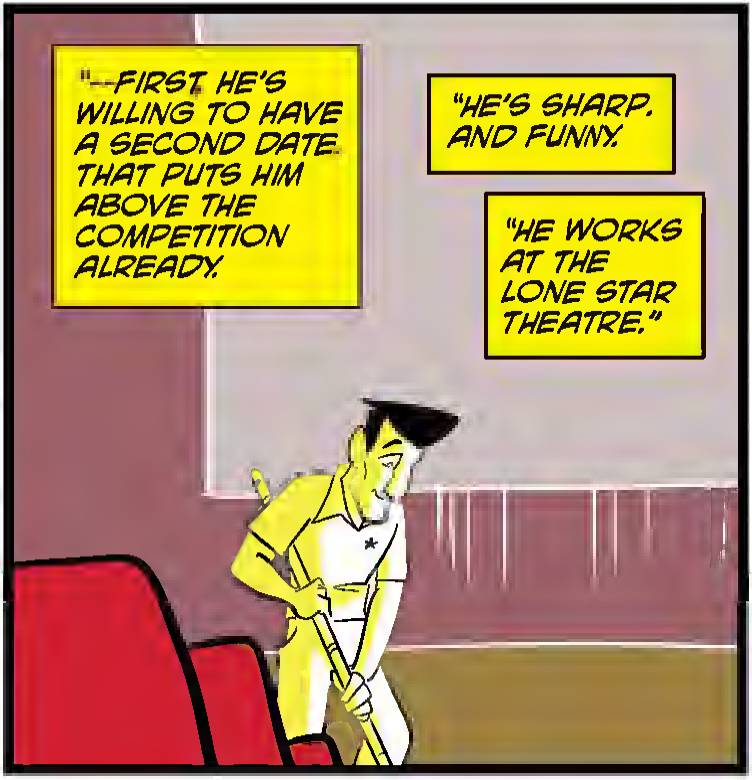
ONE OF THE THINGS ON MY LIST--
--IT DISAPPEARED. BECAUSE OF HIM. BECAUSE I OPENED UP TO HIM.


THE LIST CHANGED? REALLY?
I AM NO LONGER *EMOTIONALLY UNAVAILABLE.* I HAVE UNWRITTEN PROOF.
WINE BOT

SO, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THIS GUY CAN *FIX* YOU?
YOU'RE NOT BROKEN, DANIELLE, YOU'RE JUST YOU. YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE TO CHANGE FOR SOME DUDE.

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, CORAL. IT'S NOT A CHANGE... IT'S MORE LIKE TAKING A DIFFERENT LOOK AT THINGS.
AND NO ONE HAS EVER BROUGHT ANYTHING LIKE THAT OUT OF ME, UNTIL JEFF.

OKAY. I'LL ALLOW IT. PROVISIONALLY.
SO TELL ME ABOUT THIS JEFF.
WELL--


"--FIRST, HE'S WILLING TO HAVE A SECOND DATE. THAT PUTS HIM ABOVE THE COMPETITION ALREADY.
"HE'S SHARP, AND FUNNY.
"HE WORKS AT THE LONE STAR THEATRE."

from Veronica
Hey, just got Peanut off to school. How's your day?
BEE-BEEP!

I am dragging today. I was out late.
I met a girl last night.

YOU DID?
message sent with loud effect
BEE-BEEP!

VC
Veronica
I am dragging today. I was out late.
I met a girl last night.
REALLY?
YOU DID?
It's about time.

Hey, I date!
You FIRST date. Sometimes you Tinder swipe. I wouldn't call that dating.

This one IS different.
Old enough to drink?
Ha! Well, she's under a magical curse.
That happens.

AM I THE ONLY PERSON WHO DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT CURSES?!
I saw it on Dr. Phil.

So what's her curse?
She's got a warning label with all the stuff I need to watch out for.
ASST

That's unique.
So let me guess, you told her about Anne?
Not in so many words, but yes.

Are you EVER going to let yourself off the hook for that? There was a lot wrong in that relationship. It wasn't just you.
I was an ass.
Real asses aren't self aware enough to know that.

from Danie
Hey... you still out there?
Danielle just texted. I'm going to switch and answer her.
Good move. I don't need any accidental pics sent my way.
I'll type at you later, agido.

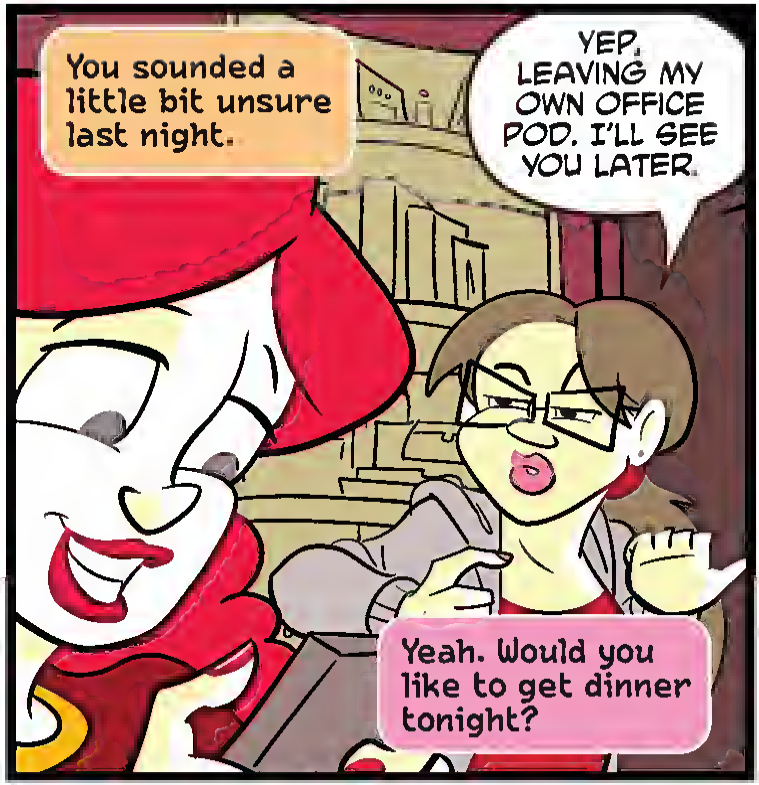
Still here. Just thinking about you actually.
HE'S STILL AROUND! THE CURSE HASN'T SCARED HIM OFF.

NOR THAT YOU KICKED HIS BUTT IN FORTRESS UNICORN.
THAT'S BECAUSE HE'S SPECIAL..

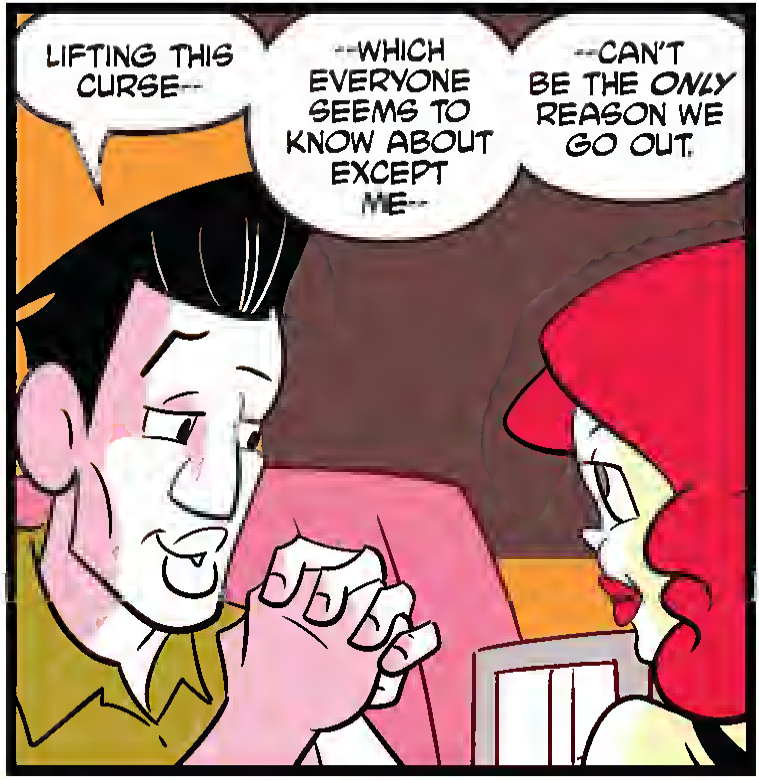
WORTH CHANGING FOR?
WORTH BEING BETTER FOR.
BOT

I'm glad. I don't get a lot of second dates. Because of, well, you know.
If you can't lose gracefully to a lady, you're no gentleman.
Oh, wait, you meant the curse thing.

ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING TO SEE MYSELF OUT.
Funny. Have you given any more thought to things?


You sounded a little bit unsure last night.
YEP. LEAVING MY OWN OFFICE POD. I'LL SEE YOU LATER.
Yeah. Would you like to get dinner tonight?

DINER
I'VE GIVEN THIS A LOT OF THOUGHT, DANIELLE.
WELL, OF COURSE.


LIFTING THIS CURSE--
--WHICH EVERYONE SEEMS TO KNOW ABOUT EXCEPT ME--
--CAN'T BE THE ONLY REASON WE GO OUT.

I'M WILLING TO HELP. I'VE EVEN GOT SOME IDEAS. BUT THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE THE DRIVING FORCE. WE'RE JUST GOING TO GO OUT TO GO OUT SOMETIMES. PROBABLY A LOT.
BUT IF YOU'RE OKAY WITH THAT, THEN I'M OKAY WITH THIS.
THAT SOUNDS FAIR.

THEN WE HAVE A DEAL?

SO MUCH BETTER THAN A HAND-SHAKE.
UNLESS THAT WAS A FREDO THING--
--NO, NO KISS OF DEATH.
I NEED YOU AROUND FOR A WHILE.